



TOWN OF BLUFFTON PROCLAMATION NATIONAL PRESERVATION MONTH

WHEREAS, on June 8, 1906, President Theodore Roosevelt signed into law the Antiquities Act giving the U.S. President the authority to create national monuments from public lands to protect significant natural, cultural or scientific features; and

WHEREAS, on October 15, 1966, the National Historic Preservation Act was signed into law by President Lyndon B. Johnson. This legislation established the National Register of Historic Places and state historic preservation offices.

WHEREAS, historic preservation is an endeavor that seeks to preserve and protect buildings, objects, landscapes or other artifacts of historical significance and is an effective tool for managing growth and sustainable development, revitalizing neighborhoods, fostering local pride and maintaining community character;

Whereas, the National Register of Historic Places formally included the Bluffton Historic District and 46 of its contributing buildings, as well as including two coves into its Registry on June 21, 1996; Prior to this, the Church of the Cross was entered into the National Register as an individual historic site;

WHEREAS, "This Place Matters" is the theme for National Preservation Month 2016 and the Town of Bluffton will be hosting a Historic Preservation Symposium on May 19th to better educate and involve the Bluffton community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lisa Sulka, Mayor of the Town of Bluffton along with Bluffton Town Council, do hereby proclaim the month of May as **National Preservation Month** in the Town of Bluffton and call upon our residents to join others across the United States in recognizing and participating in this special observance.

Dated this Tenth day of May in the Year 2016.

Lisa Sulka, Mayor